

109TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. RES. 291

To congratulate the Chicago White Sox on winning the 2005 World Series
Championship.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 27, 2005

Mr. OBAMA (for himself and Mr. DURBIN) submitted the following resolution;
which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

To congratulate the Chicago White Sox on winning the 2005
World Series Championship.

Whereas, on October 26, 2005, the Chicago White Sox base-
ball club won the 2005 World Series;

Whereas this is the first championship for the White Sox
since 1917, when Woodrow Wilson was president and the
United States was fighting in World War I;

Whereas this is the first World Series appearance for the
White Sox since 1959;

Whereas the White Sox posted a regular season record of 99–
63 and dominated their opponents during the playoffs,
compiling 11 wins and only 1 loss, and finishing with an
8-game win streak that included a sweep in the Fall
Classic;

Whereas the White Sox joined the 1990 Cincinnati Reds and the legendary 1927 New York Yankees as the only teams who have swept a World Series after playing every game of the regular season while in first place;

Whereas the White Sox pitching staff tied a Major League playoff record of 4 straight complete game wins and did not allow a single run in the last 15 innings of the World Series;

Whereas Manager Ozzie Guillen, General Manager Kenny Williams, and owners Jerry Reinsdorf and Eddie Einhorn have put together and led a great organization;

Whereas all 25 players on the playoff squad, whose sole goal was winning the World Series rather than chasing individual glory, contributed to the victory, including World Series Most Valuable Player, Jermaine Dye, as well as Scott Podsednik, Tadahito Iguchi, Joe Crede, Aaron Rowand, Paul Konerko, Juan Uribe, A.J. Pierzynski, Carl Everett, Freddy Garcia, Geoff Blum, Willie Harris, Timo Perez, Chris Widger, Pablo Ozuna, Mark Buehrle, Jose Contreras, Neal Cotts, Jon Garland, Dustin Hermanson, Orlando Hernandez, Bobby Jenks, Damaso Marte, Cliff Politte, and Luis Vizcaino;

Whereas other players, such as Frank Thomas and Brandon McCarthy, made important contributions to get the White Sox to the playoffs, but were unable to be placed on the playoff roster;

Whereas this current group of White Sox players follows in the giant footsteps of the great players in White Sox history who have had their numbers retired, players such as Nellie Fox (#2), Harold Baines (#3), Luke Appling (#4), Minnie Minoso (#9), Luis Aparicio (#11), Ted

Lyons (#16), Billy Pierce (#19), and Carlton Fisk (#72);

Whereas the city of Chicago and White Sox fans have faithfully stuck by their team during the decades it spent in baseball's wilderness;

Whereas a new generation of young fans in Chicago and around Illinois are discovering the joy of world championship baseball; and

Whereas the Boston Red Sox, the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim, and the Houston Astros proved worthy and honorable adversaries and also deserve recognition, and: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, that the Senate—

2 (1) congratulates the Chicago White Sox on
3 winning the 2005 World Series Championship;

4 (2) commends the fans, players, and manage-
5 ment of the Houston Astros for allowing the Chicago
6 White Sox and their many supporters to celebrate
7 their first World Series title in 88 years at Minute
8 Maid Park, the home field of the Houston Astros;
9 and

10 (3) respectfully directs the Enrolling Clerk of
11 the Senate to transmit an enrolled copy of this reso-
12 lution to—

13 (A) the 2005 Chicago White Sox baseball
14 club; and

- 1 (B) White Sox owners, Jerry Reinsdorf
- 2 and Eddie Einhorn.

